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Applicant: BELISLE ET AL. Examiner: R. SANDY  
Serial No.: 10/761,925 Group Art Unit: 3677  
Filed: JANUARY 21, 2004 Docket: 758.1470USI1  
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Title: EXHAUST SYSTEM CLAMP

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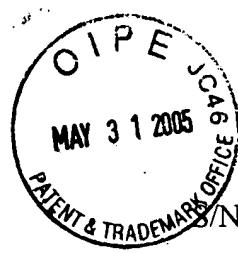
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 21, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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